

STATE OF MINNESOTA
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
FOR THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application for a
Route Permit for the Bemidji – Grand
Rapids 230kV Transmission Project

THIRD PREHEARING ORDER

This matter came before Administrative Law Judge Eric L. Lipman upon the parties' joint request for the modification of the dates in the Second Pre-Hearing Order.

Based upon the submissions of counsel, and upon all of the files, the Administrative Law Judge makes the following:

ORDER

1. The dates set forth in the Second Pre-Hearing Order are modified as follows:

Milestone	Due Date	Target Date
Intervenor's Pre-Filing of Direct Testimony, Submission of OES Comments	March 8, 2010	
Public Meetings on the Draft EIS		March 16 – 18, 2010
Pre-Filing of Rebuttal Testimony, Submission of Additional OES Comments	March 26, 2010	
Contested Case Hearings	April 21 – 23, 2010	
Closing Date for Comments on the Draft EIS		April 26, 2010
Closing Date for Post-Hearing Public Comments	May 3, 2010	
Submission of Initial Post-Hearing Briefs	May 10, 2010	

Submission of OES Post-Hearing Comments	May 17, 2010	
Issuance of Final EIS		June 4, 2010
Submission of Response Post-Hearing Briefs, OES Comments	June 4, 2010	
ALJ Report	July 2, 2010	
Submissions of Exceptions to ALJ Report	July 12, 2010	

Dated: March 16, 2010

/s/ Eric L. Lipman

ERIC L. LIPMAN
Administrative Law Judge